

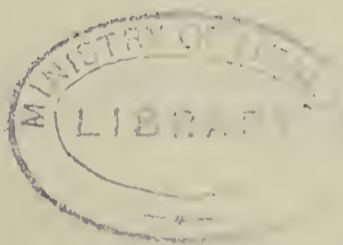
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THE BOROUGH OF LYME REGIS.  
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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

FOR THE YEAR

1954.  
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Public Health Office,  
32, South Street,  
Bridport,  
Dorset.

July, 1955.

To the Mayor, Aldermen, and Councillors,  
of the Borough of Lyme Regis.

Mr. Mayor, Aldermen, and Councillors,

I have the honour to present to you my Annual Report for the year 1954.

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The health of the community has been good. There were no serious outbreaks of Notifiable Infectious Diseases during the year. No cases of Tuberculosis occurred.

I am deeply grateful for the courtesy and consideration extended to me by members of the Council and for the co-operation of my colleagues on the Council staff especially Mr. Prescott, the Sanitary Inspector.

I am your obedient servant,

*A. Armit.*

Medical Officer of Health.



PUBLIC HEALTH STAFF.

Medical Officer of Health.....Adam Armit, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H..  
Sanitary Inspector and Surveyor.....E. Prescott, M.R.S.I., Regd. Archt  
Veterinary Surgeon. (Part-time).....K.I. Marshall, M.R.C.V.S..  
Clerk to the Medical Officer.....Miss B.E. Lawrence.

STATISTICS OF THE AREA.

Area in acres. . . . . 1,237.  
Registrar General's estimate of population. . . . . 3,030.  
No. of inhanited houses (according to the Rate  
Books as at the end of 1954).. . . . 1,171.  
Rateable Value. . . . . £29,200.  
Sum represented by a Penny Rate . . . . . £113.

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS.

Live Births.                      M. F.  
Total Births.                      19 16      Birth Rate per 1,000 estimated  
Legitimate.                      19 13      resident population - 11.55 crude.  
Illegitimate.                      - 3                      13.28 corrected.  
Comparability Factor      1.15.

Still Births.                      M. F.  
Total Still Births.                      1 1      Still Birth Rate per 1,000 estimated  
Legitimate.                      - 1      resident population - 0.66  
Illegitimate.                      1 -

Deaths of Infants under 1 year of Age.  
M. F.  
Total.                      - -      Death Rate of all Infants per 1,000  
notified Births - Nil.

Deaths of Infants under 4 weeks of Age.  
M. F.  
Total.                      - -      Death Rate of Infants under 4 weeks  
per 1,000 notified Births - Nil.

Deaths from Puerperal Causes.....Nil.  
Maternal Mortality Rate per 1,000 live and still births.....Nil.

Deaths at all ages and from all Causes.  
M. F.  
22 20      Death Rate per 1,000 estimated  
resident population 13.86 crude.  
9.84 corrected.  
Comparability Factor 0.71.

Note - Comparability Factor.

This is worked out for each District by the Registrar General.  
Its object is to level out differences in the age and sex constitution  
of the populations of the various districts and its use enables us to  
obtain standardised birth and death rates which are more fairly comparable  
and more accurate than the crude rates.

CAUSES OF DEATH AT ALL AGES.

Registrar General's Official Return.

|   | Males,      |           | Females..   |           | Total. |
|---|-------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|--------|
|   | 1-3<br>Qrt. | 4<br>Qrt. | 1-3<br>Qrt. | 4<br>Qrt. |        |
| 1, Tuberculosis, respiratory.               | -           | -         | -           | -         | -      |
| 2, Tuberculosis, other.                     | -           | -         | -           | -         | -      |
| 3, Syphilitic Disease.                      | -           | -         | -           | -         | -      |
| 4, Diphtheria.                              | -           | -         | -           | -         | -      |
| 5, Whooping Cough.                          | -           | -         | -           | -         | -      |
| 6, Meningococcal infections.                | -           | -         | -           | -         | -      |
| 7, Acute Poliomyelitis.                     | -           | -         | -           | -         | -      |
| 8, Measles.                                 | -           | -         | -           | -         | -      |
| 9, Other infective & parasitic diseases.    | -           | -         | -           | -         | -      |
| 10, Malignant neoplasm, stomach.            | 2           | -         | -           | -         | 2      |
| 11, Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus.     | 1           | -         | -           | -         | 1      |
| 12, Malignant neoplasm, breast.             | -           | -         | 1           | -         | 1      |
| 13, Malignant neoplasm, uterus.             | -           | -         | -           | -         | -      |
| 14, Other malignant & lymphatic neoplasms.  | 2           | 1         | 2           | -         | 5      |
| 15, Leukaemia, aleukaemia.                  | -           | -         | -           | -         | -      |
| 16, Diabetes.                               | -           | -         | -           | -         | -      |
| 17, Vascular lesions of nervous system.     | 2           | -         | 1           | 1         | 4      |
| 18, Coronary disease, angina.               | 3           | 2         | 3           | -         | 8      |
| 19, Hypertension with heart disease.        | 1           | -         | 3           | -         | 4      |
| 20, Other heart disease.                    | 2           | -         | -           | 1         | 3      |
| 21, Other circulatory disease.              | 2           | -         | 1           | 1         | 4      |
| 22, Influenza.                              | -           | -         | 1           | -         | 1      |
| 23, Pneumonia.                              | -           | -         | -           | -         | -      |
| 24, Bronchitis.                             | -           | 1         | -           | -         | 1      |
| 25, Other diseases of respiratory system.   | -           | -         | -           | -         | -      |
| 26, Ulcer of stomach and duodenum.          | 1           | -         | -           | -         | 1      |
| 27, Gastritis, enteritis, and diarrhoea.    | -           | -         | 1           | -         | 1      |
| 28, Nephritis and nephrosis.                | -           | -         | -           | 1         | 1      |
| 29, Hyperplasia of prostate.                | -           | -         | -           | -         | -      |
| 30, Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion.        | -           | -         | -           | -         | -      |
| 31, Congenital malformations.               | -           | -         | -           | -         | -      |
| 32, Other defined and ill-defined diseases. | 1           | 1         | 1           | 1         | 4      |
| 33, Motor vehicle accidents.                | -           | -         | -           | -         | -      |
| 34, All other accidents.                    | -           | -         | 1           | -         | 1      |
| 35, Suicide.                                | -           | -         | -           | -         | -      |
| 36, Homicide and operations of war.         | -           | -         | -           | -         | -      |
| Total.                                      | 17          | 5         | 15          | 5         | 42     |

OTHER VITAL STATISTICS.

|  | 1938   | 1945   | 1946   | 1947   | 1948   | 1949   | 1950   | 1951   | 1952   | 1953   | 1954   |
|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Population.....                          | 2715   | 2951   | 2835   | 2888   | 2935   | 3021   | 3063   | 3096   | 2989   | 2995   | 3030   |
| Rateable Value.....                      | £24976 | £25769 | £25781 | £26357 | £26694 | £26842 | £26853 | £27149 | £27491 | £28162 | £29200 |
| Estimated Produce of Penny Rate.....     | £96    | £100   | £100   | £101   | £102   | £103   | £106   | £106   | £108   | £109   | £113   |
| <u>BIRTHS.</u>                           |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
| Live Births.....                         | 29     | 48     | 42     | 55     | 40     | 48     | 35     | 43     | 29     | 33     | 35     |
| Legitimate.....                          | 29     | 40     | 37     | 49     | 37     | 48     | 30     | 41     | 27     | 32     | 32     |
| Illegitimate.....                        | -      | 8      | 5      | 6      | 3      | -      | 5      | 2      | 2      | 1      | 3      |
| Still Births.....                        | 1      | 3      | -      | 1      | -      | 1      | 1      | 1      | 1      | 4      | 2      |
| Live Birth Rate (crude).....             | 10.7   | 16.3   | 14.8   | 19.0   | 13.6   | 15.9   | 11.4   | 13.9   | 9.7    | 11     | 11.6   |
| Live Birth Rate (corrected).....         |        |        |        |        |        |        | 12.4   | 15.0   | 10.5   | 11.9   | 13.3   |
| Live Birth Rate (Eng. & Wales).....      | 15.6   | 16.1   | 19.2   | 20.6   | 17.9   | 16.7   | 15.8   | 15.5   | 15.3   | 15.5   | 15.2   |
| <u>DEATHS.</u>                           |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
| Total Deaths.....                        | 37     | 42     | 38     | 61     | 35     | 54     | 40     | 56     | 39     | 32     | 42     |
| Death Rate (crude).....                  | 9.5    | 14.2   | 13.4   | 21.1   | 11.9   | 17.9   | 13.1   | 18.1   | 13     | 10.7   | 13.9   |
| Death Rate (corrected).....              |        |        |        |        |        |        | 9.4    | 12.8   | 9.1    | 7.6    | 9.8    |
| Death Rate (Eng. & Wales).....           | 11.6   | 11.4   | 11.5   | 12.0   | 10.8   | 11.7   | 11.6   | 12.5   | 11.3   | 11.4   | 11.3   |
| <u>INFANT MORTALITY</u>                  |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
| Deaths under 1 year.....                 | 2      | 4      | 4      | 4      | -      | 1      | -      | 2      | 1      | 2      | -      |
| Infantile Death Rate.....                | 68.9   | 83.3   | 95.2   | 72.7   | -      | 20.8   | -      | 46.5   | 34.5   | 60.6   | -      |
| Infantile Death Rate (Eng. & Wales)..... | 53     | 46     | 43     | 41     | 34     | 32     | 29.6   | 29.7   | 27.6   | 26.8   | 25.5   |
| <u>MATERNAL MORTALITY.</u>               |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
| Maternal Deaths.....                     | 1      | -      | -      | 1      | -      | -      | -      | -      | -      | -      | -      |
| Maternal Mortality Rate.....             | 33.33  | -      | -      | 17.86  | -      | -      | -      | -      | -      | -      | -      |
| Maternal Mortality Rate(Eng. & Wales)... | 2.97   | 1.79   | 1.43   | 1.17   | 1.02   | 0.98   | 0.86   | 0.79   | 0.72   | 0.76   | 0.69   |

# SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

## Water Supplies.

There are two sources of supply, namely, Rhode Barton and Pinhay. The former, owned by the Council, is from shallow sources with a maximum yield of 48,000 g.p.d., while the latter, owned by the Lyme Regis District Water Company, is from deep springs with an average daily yield of 750,000 g.p.d.. Under agreement, a maximum of 50,000 g.p.d. is taken by the Council from the Company through break pressure tanks and valves, with an arrangement to increase this amount up to 150,000 gallons when required.

Certain areas of the District at high levels, are supplied direct by the Company, and this consumption is not recorded in the figures given below.

Both supplies are chlorinated, and at Rhode Barton, pumping and chlorination are automatic by electric control.

The quarterly consumption from both sources was as follows :-

|               | <u>Pinhay.</u>    | <u>Rhode Barton.</u> |
|---------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| 1st. Quarter. | 6,277,224         | 3,760,000            |
| 2nd.       "  | 8,620,000         | 4,070,000            |
| 3rd.       "  | 9,024,100         | 4,802,000            |
| 4th.       "  | 6,512,678         | 4,339,000            |
| Total.        | <u>30,434,002</u> | <u>16,971,000</u>    |

Compared with 1953, the Council in 1954 took approximately 1,000,000 gallons less from the Company's source and 1,000,000 gallons more from Rhode Barton.

7 samples were taken from the Rhode Barton, Pinhay, and mixed supply. All were satisfactory.

| <u>Hardness.</u>    | <u>Pinhay.</u> | <u>Rhode Barton.</u> |
|---------------------|----------------|----------------------|
| Total Hardness.     | 13.0 degrees.  | 2.8 degrees.         |
| Temporary Hardness. | 10.9       "   | 0.7       "          |
| Permanent Hardness. | 2.1       "    | 2.1       "          |

Over 90% of the houses have water laid on and the remainder are supplied from outside taps.

The 1½" pumping main at Rhode Barton has been renewed as has also all the services in the Square due to road works. Fencing to the two enclosures at Rhode Barton have been replaced and all the spur collecting drains overhauled and cleansed.

| <u>Rainfall.</u> | <u>1946</u> | <u>1947</u> | <u>1948</u> | <u>1949</u> | <u>1950</u> | <u>1951</u> | <u>1952</u> | <u>1953</u> | <u>1954</u> |
|------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|                  | 42.56       | 34.74       | 33.74       | 26.57       | 38.70       | 40.16       | 36.66       | 23.51       | 36.74       |

## Drainage and Sewerage.

The developed areas of the town are on the water borne carriage system, largely combined soil and surface, with the exception of the post war housing estate which is on the separate system, and all new properties, where practicable, are now being dealt with on the latter system. One small area, Ware Lane and one camping ground, are dealt with on separate septic tanks and filters. The Council's seasonal Monmouth Beach area has part water borne system and part Elsan, the latter being collected twice weekly.

## Drainage and Sewerage ctd.

Over two thirds of the drainage of the town is received and discharged into the sea below low water mark by the Eastern Outfall (18" cast iron sewer) across Broad Ledge, installed in 1900. This sewer from the mouth of the river Lym to it's outfall has very little fall and heavy incrustation had occurred. The work of scraping and removal of this was commenced in October 1953, and completed in February 1954, together with the installation of five additional cleansing hatch boxes, in very adverse weather conditions with gales and continuous heavy rains and tides, and has resulted in considerable relief of back pressure in the sewer and discharging of storm overflows. The metal, where cut, was found to be in very good condition. the length dealt with was 447 yards.

Serious chokeages of the 12" diameter cast iron section of this sewer in the river bed were also dealt with, due to stones and timber and broken connections caused by heavy tides pounding in the river mouth.

The Cobb area is dealt with by a 9" sewer discharging into a 12" cast iron sewer carried out beyond low water mark west of the Cobb. The oak piling and cradling of the 12" portion have been replaced by steel piles and cradles, and 12" cast iron collars have been placed on fractured pipes and other pipes renewed.

The 9" portion of this sewer, glazed stoneware pipes, is situated in the movement area of Cobb Road and requires constant inspection and repair.

## Public Lavatories.

Accommodation is provided for both sexes in five blocks at the Square, Marine Parade, Cobb Harbour, and the Monmouth Beach, and one small block for men at the Victoria Pier, and also a separate block at the Monmouth Beach for the use of the Sandboy Huts and caravans.

Parts of the Ladies' accommodation at the Square, the Ladies' and Gents' at the Monmouth Beach and the Sandboy Huts are closed during the winter as surplus to requirements.

## Public Cleansing.

1,405 bins are collected once weekly of household and trade refuse, by one lorry, and in the summer, additional collections are made in the business areas of the town as required. The refuse is disposed of at a tip on the cliffs east of the town. All main streets are swept daily. Gullies are cleared on Borough roads by the Council and on classified roads by the County Council. Litter baskets are provided in Broad Street, Church Street, Marine Parade, Bathing Station, Langmoor Gardens, Cobb Beach, Monmouth Beach, and Church Cliff.

## Sanitary Inspection of the Area.

|                             |      |                               |     |
|-----------------------------|------|-------------------------------|-----|
| No. of inspections.....     | 386. | Rodent Baitings (sewers)..... | 8.  |
| Inspection of drains.....   | 45.  | Bakeries.....                 | 7.  |
| Colour tests - drains.....  | 37.  | Dairies.....                  | 6.  |
| Water tests - drains.....   | 32.  | Caravan sites.....            | 4.  |
| Advice on drains.....       | 28.  | House inspections.....        | 51. |
| Accumulation of refuse..... | 18.  | Fumigations.....              | 2.  |
| Sewer defects.....          | 17.  | Dangerous structures.....     | 1.  |
| Sewer inspections.....      | 65.  | Ice Cream premises.....       | 44. |
| Infestations.....           | 11.  | Workshop inspections.....     | 10. |

No. of Informal Notices served..... 18. Complied with..... 10.

## Eradication of Vermin.

No premises were dealt with.

Petroleum, Spirit and Carbide.

No. of inspections.....12. No. of Notices served.....Nil.

Smoke Abatement.

No action was taken under this heading.

Shops.

51 inspections were carried out, and notices re. dogs, supplied to foodshops etc..

Swimming and Bathing Pools.

There is no indoor swimming bath. Bathing takes place in the sea during the season, from all the beaches, and dressing accommodation is available from huts and tents on the main beach.

Rodent Control.

No full-time Rodent Operator is employed. One of the Council's workmen who has attended several training courses, deals with the Council's drains, sewers, refuse tip, and premises, and also private premises on receipt of complaints.

Camping Sites.

There is one camping site of  $7\frac{1}{2}$  acres, situated on the hill to the north of the town with 150 caravan or tent sites on it, (incidentally no tents are permitted) licenced for summer use only, and winter storage for 100 caravans. It is very well maintained, and equipped with water points, drainage points, washing facilities with hot and cold water in well constructed premises, and efficient water borne lavatory accommodation.

On the Monmouth Beach, owned by the Council, there exists a collection of day huts, caravans and chalets privately owned on Council sites for summer use only. Water is supplied by standpipes at various points. On the same beach, the Council own and let 28 residential chalets for seasonal letting. These are laid out on concrete foundations with asphalt paths in three terraces around walled-in lawns. Each chalet has an independent water supply, electric lighting and cooking, trapped sinks, food cupboards, and drainage connected to the public sewer system. Lavatory accommodation, water borne, is provided at the rear in a separate block of buildings and drains to the public sewer. The rest of the site is dealt with by Elsan closets collected twice weekly by the Council.

Schools.

These are regularly inspected. All have piped water, water closets and washing facilities. Pasteurised milk was being supplied to all the schools at the end of the year.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

Meat Inspection.

As a result of the decontrol of meat in July, the Council, in order to carry out their obligations regarding slaughtering facilities in their area, agreed to join Bridport Borough in it's slaughtering facilities as there were no suitable premises in Lyme Regis. The Council also agreed to pay part of the cost of meat inspection at Bridport where a part-time Veterinary Surgeon is employed for this purpose.

### Milk Supply.

No. of persons registered as distributors at the end of 1954.....7.  
 No. of premises registered as a Dairy not being a Dairy Farm.....3.  
 No. of Dairies inspected.....3. No. of inspections.....6.  
 No. of Notices served.....Nil.

Milk from four farms outside the District and from Wilts United Dairies, is retailed in the Borough. There is still a fair amount of milk being retailed from hand-cans. There is no Pasteurising plant in the area.

### Milk Sampling.

32 samples were taken for analyses with the following results :-

| Result. | Heat Treated. | T.T. | Non-Designated. | Total. |
|---------|---------------|------|-----------------|--------|
| Passed. | 5             | 12   | 12              | 29     |
| Failed. | -             | 3    | -               | 3      |

### The Milk and Dairies Regulations 1949,

No action was necessary under the above Regulations.

### Ice Cream.

No. of premises on the register at the end of 1954 for the :-  
 (a) Manufacture of Ice Cream.....1.  
 (b) Storage and sale of Ice Cream.....25.  
 No. of Ice Cream premises inspected.....26.  
 No. of inspections.....44. No. of Notices served..Nil.

13 samples were taken for analyses and of these, 10 were in Grade 1, and 3 in Grade 2.

### Condemnation of Food.

During the year, the following foodstuffs were condemned as being unfit for human consumption.

|                               | Cwts. | Qrs. | lbs. |
|-------------------------------|-------|------|------|
| Butchers meat and pork.       |       | 2    | 1    |
| Tinned meat.                  | 1     | 2    | 12   |
| Boxed fish.                   |       |      | 14   |
| Other food, including tinned. | 2     | 1    | 1    |
| Total.                        | 4     | 2    | 0    |

Number of condemnation notes issued 157.

### Byelaws under Section 15 of the Food and Drugs Act. 1938.

No Statutory action was found to be necessary under the above Byelaws.

### Clean Food Campaign.

No action was taken under this heading.

HOUSING.

During the year, 53 families were re-housed in new houses, 39 by the Council (this figure includes 7 single bedroom houses for aged people) and 14 by Private Enterprise.

Inspection of Dwelling Houses.

|   |     |                         |      |
|---|-----|-------------------------|------|
| No. inspected for housing defects.....  | 22. | No. of inspections..... | 22.  |
| No. found in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation..... |     |                         | Nil. |
| No. rendered fit after Informal Action by Local Authority.....                                    | 22. |                         |      |

Action Under Statutory Powers.

Public Health Act. 1936.

|                                      |      |
|--------------------------------------|------|
| No. of Statutory Notices served..... | Nil. |
|--------------------------------------|------|

Housing Act. 1936. Sections 9, 10, and 16.

|                                      |      |
|--------------------------------------|------|
| No. of Statutory Notices served..... | Nil. |
|--------------------------------------|------|

Housing Act. 1936. Sections 11 and 12.

|                                    |      |
|------------------------------------|------|
| No. of Demolition Orders made..... | Nil. |
| No. of Closing Orders.....         | Nil. |

Re-Housing.

|  |                             |                               |      |
|--|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|------|
| No. of new houses completed during the year :- |                             |                               |      |
|  | (a) By Local Authority..... | 39.                           |      |
|  | (b) By Other Bodies.....    | 14.                           |      |
| No. of families in new houses.....             | 53.                         | No. of persons (approx),..... | 159. |
| No. of new houses in course of construction :- |                             |                               |      |
|  | (a) By Local Authority..16) | 19.                           |      |
|  | (b) By Other Bodies..... 3) |                               |      |

Post War Houses.

|  |      |
|--|------|
| Completed by Local Authority.....                              | 187. |
| Taken over from Ministry (Prefabricated).....                  | 10.  |
| Completed by Other Bodies.....                                 | 49.  |
| Flats provided by Private Enterprise.....                      | 21.  |
| No. of houses owned by Local Authority (excludes prefabs)..... | 338. |

PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER, INFECTIOUS  
AND OTHER DISEASES.

The Borough was remarkably free from Notifiable Infectious Diseases, only two being notified. One of these was a case of Diphtheria in a woman aged 40 years, employed as a chamber maid in one of the Hotels. She had never been immunised. It is noteworthy that this was the first case for ten years occurring in the Borough.

There were no cases of Food Poisoning notified.

Close co-operation is maintained between the Head Teachers, the School Nurse, and the Medical Officer of Health regarding the control of Infectious Diseases in schools. The following cases were notified from the schools; Chicken Pox 46, Impetigo 13, Tonsillitis 17, Enteritis 15, Conjunctivitis 3, German Measles 1, Ringworm 4, Influenza 5,.

Diphtheria Immunisation.

This is the responsibility of the County Council. When not performed by the child's own Doctor, immunisation is given at the Child Welfare Centre. The following table shows the number of children who have been immunised up to 31.12.54.

| 0 - 4 years. |    |    |    |    |             | 5 - 14 years. |         |              |               |
|--------------|----|----|----|----|-------------|---------------|---------|--------------|---------------|
| Under 1      | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | Total 0 - 4 | 5 - 9         | 10 - 14 | Total 5 - 14 | Total 0 - 14. |
| 9            | 18 | 16 | 28 | 27 | 98          | 202           | 203     | 405          | 503           |

B.C.G. Vaccination against Tuberculosis.

The County Council commenced in July, testing children aged 13 years and over, and where necessary vaccinating them with B.C.G. vaccine against Tuberculosis.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT. 1948  
Section 47. Removal of Persons in need of Care and  
Attention to Suitable Premises.

There was no case during the year where it was necessary to proceed under the provisions of this Section of the Act.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED 1938 - 1954.

| DISEASES.                       | 1938    | 1939 | 1940 | 1941 | 1942 | 1943 | 1944 | 1945 | 1946 | 1947 | 1948 | 1949 | 1950 | 1951 | 1952 | 1953 | 1954 |
|---------------------------------|---------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Diphtheria.....                 | -       | -    | 2    | 1    | 1    | -    | 1    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1    |
| Erysipelas.....                 | -       | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | 2    | -    | 2    | 1    | -    | 1    | -    | -    | -    |
| Scarlet Fever.....              | 1       | 3    | -    | 5    | 1    | -    | -    | 2    | 2    | -    | -    | -    | -    | 5    | 1    | -    | -    |
| Enteric Fever (Inc. Typhoid)... | -       | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| Puerperal Pyrexia.....          | -       | -    | -    | -    | 1    | 1    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1    | -    |
| Cerebro-Spinal Fever.....       | -       | -    | 2    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| Acute Poliomyelitis.....        | -       | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1    | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1    | 1    | -    |
| Ophthalmia Neonatorum.....      | -       | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| Dysentery.....                  | -       | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| Encephalitis Lethargica.....    | -       | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| Pneumonia.....                  | -       | -    | -    | 1    | -    | -    | -    | 8    | -    | -    | -    | -    | 2    | 2    | 3    | 5    | -    |
| Pulmonary Tuberculosis.....     | 4       | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1    | 1    | 1    | 4    | 3    | 1    | 3    | 2    | 3    | 6    | 1    | -    |
| Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis..... | -       | 1    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1    | 1    | 1    | 2    | -    | -    | 1    | 1    | -    | -    |
| Measles.....                    | Unknown | -    | 23   | 260  | 7    | 34   | 2    | 67   | 7    | 16   | 2    | -    | 104  | 47   | 28   | 6    | -    |
| Whooping Cough.....             | Unknown | 2    | 51   | 9    | 4    | -    | 22   | 2    | 4    | 27   | -    | -    | 15   | 2    | 47   | 19   | 1    |
| Totals.                         | 5       | 6    | 78   | 276  | 14   | 36   | 27   | 81   | 20   | 48   | 8    | 4    | 123  | 61   | 87   | 33   | 2    |

TUBERCULOSIS.

| <u>Age<br/>Periods.</u> | <u>New Cases notified<br/>during 1954.</u> |           |                       |           | <u>Deaths notified 1954</u> |           |                       |           |
|-------------------------|--|-----------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------------------|-----------|
|                         | <u>Pulmonary.</u>                          |           | <u>Non-Pulmonary.</u> |           | <u>Pulmonary.</u>           |           | <u>Non-Pulmonary.</u> |           |
|                         | <u>M.</u>                                  | <u>F.</u> | <u>M.</u>             | <u>F.</u> | <u>M.</u>                   | <u>F.</u> | <u>M.</u>             | <u>F.</u> |
| 0- 4.                   | -  | -         | -                     | -         | -                           | -         | -                     | -         |
| 5-14.                   | -  | -         | -                     | -         | -                           | -         | -                     | -         |
| 15-24.                  | -  | -         | -                     | -         | -                           | -         | -                     | -         |
| 25-34.                  | -  | -         | -                     | -         | -                           | -         | -                     | -         |
| 35-44.                  | -  | -         | -                     | -         | -                           | -         | -                     | -         |
| 45-54.                  | -  | -         | -                     | -         | -                           | -         | -                     | -         |
| 55-64.                  | -  | -         | -                     | -         | -                           | -         | -                     | -         |
| 65 & over.              | -  | -         | -                     | -         | -                           | -         | -                     | -         |
| Total                   | -  | -         | -                     | -         | -                           | -         | -                     | -         |

New Cases and Mortality.  
1938      -      1954.

|       | <u>Pulmonary.</u> |           | <u>Non-Pulmonary.</u> |           | <u>Pulmonary.</u> |           | <u>Non-Pulmonary.</u> |           |
|-------|-------------------|-----------|-----------------------|-----------|-------------------|-----------|-----------------------|-----------|
|       | <u>M.</u>         | <u>F.</u> | <u>M.</u>             | <u>F.</u> | <u>M.</u>         | <u>F.</u> | <u>M.</u>             | <u>F.</u> |
| 1938. | 2                 | 2         | -                     | -         | 1                 | -         | 1                     | -         |
| 1939. | -                 | -         | -                     | -         | 1                 | -         | -                     | -         |
| 1940. | 1                 | -         | -                     | -         | -                 | 1         | -                     | -         |
| 1941. | -                 | -         | -                     | -         | -                 | -         | -                     | -         |
| 1942. | -                 | -         | -                     | -         | 1                 | -         | -                     | -         |
| 1943. | 1                 | -         | -                     | -         | -                 | -         | -                     | -         |
| 1944. | 1                 | 1         | -                     | -         | -                 | -         | -                     | -         |
| 1945. | 1                 | -         | -                     | -         | -                 | -         | -                     | -         |
| 1946. | 3                 | 1         | 1                     | -         | -                 | -         | -                     | -         |
| 1947. | 1                 | 2         | -                     | 1         | -                 | 1         | -                     | -         |
| 1948. | 1                 | -         | 1                     | 1         | -                 | 1         | -                     | -         |
| 1949. | 1                 | 2         | -                     | -         | 1                 | 1         | -                     | -         |
| 1950. | 1                 | 1         | -                     | -         | -                 | -         | -                     | -         |
| 1951. | 1                 | 2         | 1                     | -         | -                 | -         | -                     | -         |
| 1952. | 2                 | 4         | -                     | 1         | -                 | -         | -                     | -         |
| 1953. | 1                 | -         | -                     | -         | 1                 | -         | -                     | -         |
| 1954. | -                 | -         | -                     | -         | -                 | -         | -                     | -         |

|   | <u>Pulmonary.</u> |           | <u>Non-Pulmonary.</u> |           |
|---|-------------------|-----------|-----------------------|-----------|
|   | <u>M.</u>         | <u>F.</u> | <u>M.</u>             | <u>F.</u> |
| Total cases on Register at end of 1953.                       | 6                 | 7         | 2                     | 3         |
| New Cases notified during 1954.                               | -                 | -         | -                     | -         |
| Cases from other areas who have come to live in the District. | 2                 | 1         | -                     | -         |
| Removals from District into other areas.                      | -                 | -         | -                     | -         |
| Removed from Register as Non-Tubercular.                      | -                 | -         | -                     | -         |
| Removed from Register - Cured.                                | 1                 | 1         | 2                     | -         |
| Deaths during 1954.   | -                 | -         | -                     | -         |
| Total on Register at end of 1954.                             | 7                 | 7         | -                     | 3         |

FACTORIES ACTS. 1937 & 1948.

Part 1 of the Act.

1. INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Sanitary Inspectors).

| Premises.  | Number on Register. | Number of    |                  |                       |
|--|---------------------|--------------|------------------|-----------------------|
|  |                     | Inspections. | Written Notices. | Occupiers prosecuted. |
| (1) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3, 4 & 6, are to be enforced by Local Authorities.                       | 26                  | 78           | -                | -                     |
| (11) Factories not included in (1) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority.                    | 3                   | 12           | -                | -                     |
| (111) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers premises). | -                   | -            | -                | -                     |
| Total.   | 29                  | 90           |                  |                       |

2. CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND.

| Particulars.   | Number of cases in which defects were found. |          |                    |                    | Number of cases in which Prosecutions were instituted. |
|--|--|----------|--------------------|--------------------|--|
|  | Found.                                       | Remedied | Referred           |                    |  |
|  |  |          | To H.M. Inspector. | By H.M. Inspector. |  |
| Want of cleanliness.   | -  | -        | -                  | -                  | -  |
| Overcrowding.  | -  | -        | -                  | -                  | -  |
| Unreasonable temperature.  | -  | -        | -                  | -                  | -  |
| Inadequate ventilation.  | -  | -        | -                  | -                  | -  |
| Ineffective drainage of floors   | -  | -        | -                  | -                  | -  |
| Sanitary Conveniences.   |  |          |                    |                    |  |
| (a) Insufficient.  | -  | -        | -                  | -                  | -  |
| (b) Unsuitable or defective.   | -  | -        | -                  | -                  | -  |
| (c) Not separate for sexes.  | -  | -        | -                  | -                  | -  |
| Other offences against the Act not including offences relating to Outwork. |  | -        | -                  | -                  | -  |
| Total.   |  | -        | -                  | -                  | -  |

Part V111 of the Act.

OUTWORK

(Sections 110 & 111)

| Nature of work.            | No. of Out-workers in Aug. list required by Sec. 110 (1)(c). | No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council. | No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists. | No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises. | Notices served. | Prosecutions. |
|----------------------------|--|--|--|---|-----------------|---------------|
| Nets, other than wire nets | -  | -  | -  | -   | -               | -             |
| (Wearing) Making apparel)  | -  | -  | -  | -   | -               | -             |
| Total.                     | -  | -  | -  | -   | -               | -             |

LYME REGIS PORT HEALTH AUTHORITY.

Section I - Staff.\*

TABLE A.

NO CHANGE.

Section II - Amount of shipping entering the district during the year.

TABLE B.

Nil

Section III - Character of shipping and trade during the year.

TABLE C.

Nil.

Section IV - Inland Barge Traffic - Nil.

Section V. - Water Supply. \* NO CHANGE.

Section VI - Public Health (Ships) Regulations 1952. \* NO CHANGE.

Section VII - Smallpox.

1. Name of Isolation Hospital to which Smallpox cases are sent from the district :

Crabwood Smallpox Hospital, Nr. Winchester, Hants.

2. Arrangements for transport of such cases to that Hospital :

Dorset County Ambulance Service.

3. Name of Smallpox Consultants available :

Dr. E.J. Gordon Wallace, and Dr. P. Hughes, of Weymouth, and  
Dr. C. Hollins, of Dorchester.

4. Facilities for laboratory diagnosis of Smallpox.

Suspected material is sent to : Dr. F.O. McCallum, Virus Reference  
Laboratory, Central Public Health Laboratory, Colindale, London N.W.9.

Section VIII - Venereal Disease. \* - NO CHANGE.

Section IX - Cases of notifiable and other infectious disease on ships.

TABLE D.

Nil.

Section X. - Observations of the occurrence of Malaria in ships - Nil.

Section XI - Measures taken against ships infected with or suspected for  
Plague - Nil.

- (1) Routine inspection in ships from foreign ports is made.
- (2) Arrangements for bacteriological or pathological examination of rodents are made with the County Laboratory, Dorchester. No rats were sent during the year to the Laboratory.

TABLE E.

Rodents destroyed during the year in ships from foreign ports.

Nil.

Deratting Certificates and Deratting Exemption Certificates issued during the year for ships from foreign ports - Nil.

Section Xlll - Inspection of ships for nuisances.

TABLE G.

Inspection and Notices - Nil.

Section Xlv - Public Health (Shell-fish) Regulations, 1934 and 1948 \*

NO CHANGE.

Section XV - Medical Inspection of Aliens. \* - NO CHANGE.

Section XVI - Miscellaneous. \* NO CHANGE.

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In Form Port 20, dated October, 1952, the Ministry of Health states that the information required by Sections I, V, VI, Vlll, Xlv, XV, and XVI, (all marked with an asterisk) which has been given in an earlier Report and has not changed, need not be repeated every year. A recapitulation of all the information should be made in the Report for the years 1952 and 1955 and thereafter quinquennially. For the intermediate years, only the changes which have occurred during the year covered by the Report need be mentioned in those sections; if there is no change "NO CHANGE" should be entered.

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